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## § 76.1 Purpose.

This part implements section 6486 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 (the Act), 21 U.S.C. 844a. This part establishes procedures for imposing civil penalties against persons who knowingly possess a controlled substance for personal use that is listed in 21 CFR 1316.91(j)(2) in violation of 21 U.S.C. 844a and specifies the appeal rights of persons subject to a civil penalty pursuant to section 6486 of the Act.

## § 76.2 Definitions.

- (a) *Act* means the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, Public Law 100-690.
- (b) Adjudicatory proceeding means a judicial-type proceeding leading to the formulation of a final order.
- (c) Administrative Procedure Act means those provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, as codified, which are contained in 5 U.S.C. 551 through 559.
- (d) Attorney General means the Attorney General of the United States or his or her designee.
- (e) *Department* means the United States Department of Justice.
- (f) Judge means an Administrative Law Judge appointed pursuant to the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 3105.
- (g) Penalty means the amount described in 28 CFR 76.3 and includes the plural of that term.
- (h) The term *Personal Use Amount* means possession of controlled substances in circumstances where there is no other evidence of an intent to distribute, or to facilitate the manufac-

turing, compounding, processing, delivering, importing or exporting of any controlled substance. Evidence of personal use amounts shall not include sweepings or other evidence of possession of amounts of a controlled substance for other than personal use. The following criteria shall be used to determine whether an amount of controlled substance in a particular case is in fact a personal use amount. The absence of any of the factors listed in paragraphs (h)(1) through (h)(5) of this section and the existence of the factor in paragraph (h)(6) of this section shall be relevant, although not necessarily conclusive, to establish that the possession was for personal use, and amounts in excess of those listed in paragraph (h)(6) of this section may be determined to be personal use amounts where circumstances indicate possession of the substance without an intent to distribute or to facilitate the manufacturing, compounding, processing, delivering, importing or exporting of the controlled substance.

- (1) Evidence, such as drug scales, drug distribution paraphernalia, drug records, drug packaging material, method of drug packaging, drug "cutting" agents and other equipment, that indicates an intent to process, package or distribute a controlled substance;
- (2) Other information indicating possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute;
- (3) The controlled substance is related to large amounts of cash or any amount of prerecorded government funds:
- (4) The controlled substance is possessed under circumstances that indicate such a controlled substance is a sample intended for distribution in anticipation of a transaction involving large amounts, or is part of a larger delivery; or
- (5) Statements by the possessor, or otherwise attributable to the possessor, including statements of co-conspirators, that indicate possession with intent to distribute.
- (6) The amounts do not exceed the following:
- (i) One gram of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of heroin;